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Shenk's Adroit Ruling as City Attorney in Favor of Race Discrimination Against the Negro.

5416 Long Beach Ave., Los Angeles, April 9th, 1913.

Mr. J. L. Edmonds,

210 Thorpe Bldg., City.

My Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find addressed stamped envelope. We as voters of Precint 232 are desirous to vote intelligently at the next municipal election and for the man who will benefit us, somewhat, as mayor of this city. Since, in your publication, a charge has been made against one of the nominees, we would like you to go further and show us proof when the Civil Rights bill was nullified by this man and when this ruling against a Negro was made. We further ask if a test has ever been made in the courts by any Negro who has been discriminated against. If so, by whom, when, and was the decision for or against him? Let us know in what case he came in direct, personal contact with the man Shenk. We have a club before which this matter is to be brought Monday night, and such information at your earliest convenience will be greatly appreciated by the voters of this precinct.

Very respectfully yours, T. G. TAYLOR. Los Angeles, Cal., April 11, 1913.

In reply to the above communication for the facts concerning the Shenk ruling and its effect upon our civil rights, they are as follows:

One afternoon last summer Mr. C. W. Holden, one of our reputable business men, was requested by a white man, with whom he had transacted some business, to take a glass of beer with him in a near-by saloon. This Mr. Holden declined to do at first, but after repeated requests to accept the man's cordiality, he finally accepted. When the white man ordered the beer, the bar-tender stated that it would cost Mr. Holden a dollar for his beer, and the white man five cents. When asked the reason, he said that Holden was charged a dollar because he was a Negro. The matter was immediately referred to the proprietor of the saloon, who stated that the bar-tender had carried out his orders, and that Holden was charged a dollar because he was a Negro. The gentleman who invited Holden into the saloon, becoming justly indignant, reported the matter to the Mayor, and asked that the saloon license be revoked on the grounds that he was practicing extortion. They were requested by the Mayor to file a complaint with the police commission. The commission referred the matter to Mr. Shenk, city attorney. Mr. Shenk ruled that it was not extortion to charge a Negro a dollar for an article that was sold to a white man for five cents.

While the above are not his exact words, his ruling was to that

effect. His ruling boiled down says that a dealer licensed to cater to and accommodate the public can reserve the right to change his prices at will. Such a ruling is in clear violation of the civil rights bill of this State. No one knew this better than Mr. Shenk, but being Liberator's" great "Bond Edia small man his prejudice against the Negroes got the best of him. tion" last week and endorsed this

Since Mr. Shenk handed down that ruling many soda fountains votes Consult our ballot pubcharge colored patrons one dollar for a glass of soda water, and lished on the front page of the coffee houses, where colored people usually have been nicely treated, Jast week's edition. On No 2, we are now charging fifty cents for a cup of coffee.

We have discussed this matter with a number of eminent attorneys, white and colored, and they say that such acts on the part of keepers of public inns are not only clear violation of the State laws, but of the Interstate Commerce laws as well. They state that the courts of New York and Chicago, where cases of this kind have been tried, have placed heavy fines upon persons found guilty of such they took The Liberator to the offenses.

While scores of colored people have been discriminated against in the manner named since Mr. Shenk's ruling, no one has yet ap- well defined policy; it doesn't pealed to the courts for redress. This is due to the fact that colored flounder around between the people are averse to law suits, and go into the courts as a last resort. dance hall and the church trying

A half block from our office are several coffee houses; owing to their cleanliness and convenience, we frequently called there at the noon hour for a cup of coffee. The fact that the patrons of these places were sober, orderly business people, there was the most cordial relations between the patrons. As soon as Mr. Shenk handed down his infamous ruling, the proprietors of the places demanded of us fifty cents for a cup of coffee, pointing to Shenk's ruling as authority. Now, if we have to have a cup of coffee at noon, we are forced to go many blocks away, or do without some things to eat.

Mr. Shenk, as City Attorney, went out of his way to encourage inquiring whether the ballot on certain business people to violate the law, and a public official guilty our front page had our backing; of such a violation of his duty is an unsafe man to put at the head of a great, growing, cosmopolitan city like Los Angeles.

The desire of your club to vote intelligently on public questions quarter. is in every way gratifying. What is true of your club we find is equally true of the colored voters throughout the city, and all other fair-minded voters.

We are for the election of a mayor who will be too big to recog- East Thirty-third Street, arrived nize race, color or conditions in the performance of his duties

Mrs. Joseph A. Blackwell and Cemetery, where the remains pects and opportunities that this cousin of Mrs. J. G. Edmonds, were interred. The floral tribute country afford. passed away at the home of his was very pretty. sister, 2917 Pennsylvania avenue, this city, Sunday afternoon, April 13th, at 4:10 p. m., after a lingering illness of several months. Mr. friends for their kindness during taining speaker. In fact, he has Whitaker was born in Bayou- the illness and death of our few superiors on the lecture platgoula, La., May 6th, 1876. He brother and cousin, Henry Whit- form today. If you have not came to Los Angeles about two aker. years ago. The funeral was held Wednesday at 2 o'clock from

Henry Whitaker, a brother of Evergreen Chapel, Evergreen bold is delighted with the pros-

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Ten thousand voters read "The great patriotic journal with their asked the voters to vote yes; the result, Yes, 46,792; No, 4,978. On No. 5, the same response, Yes, 47,141; No, 5,390. Figures can't lie; neither can a photographed ballot. The voters tell us that polls and went down the line as marked.

The Liberator has always a to fall on the winning side. We take the right side as we understand it, no matter how unpopular and smash all opposition. That's why the colored voters and others follow "The Liberator's" advice.

In view of the fact that we made no comment on the ballot last week, voters from all parts of the city kept our phones busy "If so, we'll vote her straight, and they did. Now congratulations are pouring in from every

Mr. Thomas Godbold, a brother of Mrs. Elijah J. Stewart of 1362 from Natchez, Miss., to make this his home. His family is expected to join him later. So far Mr. God-

Mr. Charles Alexander of Boston, who is delivering a series of We wish to thank our many lectures in the city, is an enterheard him, you are missing a treat. At each of his lectures he is greeted with a full house.



BURGHARDT W. E. DU BOIS COMING.

to be congratulated upon having the rare opportunity of meeting and hearing the greatest scholar York City. of the Negro race on the evening Of the many books which he of May first, in the Temple Audi- has given to the public, not one A BEAUTIFUL HOME WEDtorium, in the person of Dr. W. of them has attracted more favor-E. B. DuBois. Through the ef- able attention than "The Souls of forts of Rev. E. W. Kinchen. pas- Black Folk." This book reveals tor of Wesley M. E. Church, the in vivid fashion the insight into Anderson of Santa Monica and distinguished sociologist and eco- the inner life of the Negro as no Miss Alberta Simons of New Ornomic writer, Dr. DuBois, will other book has done; it tells the leans was one of the most beaumake his first appearance in this true story of the Negro's spiritual tiful home weddings of the seacommunity.

emancipation of the Negro in the did imagery mark him as a poet ple, there being no attempt at dis-United States, that a growing as well as a scientist and phil-play. city like Los Angeles should have osopher. an opportunity to meet and hear the one man of the race who is life would do well to give him an Monica, being the proprietor of without question the most con- enthusiastic welcome, for there is the Bay City Vacuum Cleaning spicuous exemplification of the not a man of the Negro race more Company. Miss Simons comes race's intellectual attainments. deserving of a hearing or who can of a prominent New Orleans fam-This man stands for certain ideals impart information of more real ily. The happy couple have the which require thorough equip- value to the general public than best wishes of a host of friends.

the future welfare of the race. He author. is no soft-tongued apologist. He stands for manhood rights, and he speaks out nobly and boldly for what he thinks is just and right for his race.

Dr. DuBois is a graduate of Fisk University of Nashville, Tenn., Harvard College of Cambridge, Mass., and of the University of Berlin in Germany. He is the best educated Negro in America, and his message to the people will be one of great worth. From 1896 to 1910 he filled the chair of Professor of Economics and History in Atlanta University and edited the studies on the Negro question issued by that institution. He is the author of many valuable and informing books, among them "The Suppression of the African Slave Trade," published in 1896; "The Philadelphia Negro," published in 1899; "The Souls of Black Folk," published in 1903; "John Brown," published in 1909, and the "Quest of the Silver Fleece," published in 1911. lished many pamphlets dealing in Los Angeles at 417 West 22nd The people of Los Angeles are with the Negro problem in this Street, would be pleased to arcountry. He is now the editor range to give his Dunbar lecture of "The Crisis," published in New in the churches of the city.

Of the many books which he

ment to defend and which betoken DuBois the editor, sociologist and

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